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## TEEN “GIRLS NIGHT OUT” RESULTS IN CITATIONS

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A group of five southern Marin teen girls stopped by CHP Officers on US 101 received multiple citations for violations ranging from driving without a license, possession of open containers of alcohol and possession of paraphernalia.

At approximately 2:20 AM, CHP officers observed a Toyota Scion weaving on US 101 northbound south of the Rodeo Avenue exit. Upon stopping the vehicle, it was discovered that the 15 year old driver had a learners permit only. The other female passengers were aged 14, 16, and two 17 year olds. Several of the occupants had been consuming alcohol.

It was determined that the teens had told their parents they were all spending the night at each others houses. Instead, the teens drove to San Francisco to a “Hookah Bar”. They were on their way back into Marin County when the CHP officers spotted the car weaving.

Officers located marijuana, smoking paraphernalia, and a mixed alcoholic beverage concealed in an iced tea bottle inside the car and in the teens personal effects.

The females were all high school students who resided in Corte Madera, Greenbrae and Tiburon. Citations were issued and the teen’s parents were called to respond and pick up their children.

“The fifteen year old driver who held only a permit was trying to do the right thing and be a “designated driver” because the owner of the car had been drinking alcohol.” –Sergeant Marcus Bartholomew, Marin CHP.

“Unfortunately, we can’t overlook the fact that we had an unlicensed and inexperienced driver with a car full of underage teens illegally possessing alcohol and marijuana at two o’clock in the morning. I call that a recipe for an injury or fatality collision involving multiple young lives.” –Sergeant Marcus Bartholomew, Marin CHP.

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This press release is being provided as an ongoing effort by the Marin CHP to bring attention to teen drug, alcohol, and license violations that fall under the jurisdiction of the California Highway Patrol within Marin County.

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